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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Secretary of State

1. After today's Face the Nation TV program featuring Secretary Vance, I called him to thank him for his helpful and constructive remarks (see attached).
2. I told the Secretary those remarks mean much to all of us in CIA. I said we have a tough job to do; we don't expect always to be patted on the head; but that we don't desire to have an undeserved cloud of "impropriety" or "illegality" hovering over us; and we appreciate the way he and the President have stood up to the plate in countering the allegations.
3. The Secretary thanked me for calling. He said his remarks were the least he could do. I pledged him the continuing support of the intelligence community. He said he was most grateful.

  
E. H. Knoche  
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## Attachment

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